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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: PFIAB Comments on Civil Defense
and "B Team" Report

1. I was called this morning by Mr. Wheaton Byers, Executive Secretary of PFIAB. He had several requests concerning civil defense matters, and he commented briefly on the "B Team" report to PFIAB.
2. Mr. Byers said that Dr. Edward Teller would like to have a copy of the IIM on Soviet Civil Defense. A check with the NIO Registry revealed that a copy had already been forwarded to him at Lawrence Livermore Laboratory.
3. Mr. Byers said that Dr. Teller would be back in Washington on 2 February 1977, and would like to have an informal discussion of civil defense matters at that time. I indicated that [REDACTED] and I would be prepared for such a meeting (Dr. Teller remembered [REDACTED] from an earlier briefing). Specific arrangements for the meeting will be made later.
4. Mr. Byers also asked if we were considering the publication of an unclassified paper on Soviet civil defense. I informed him that we had prepared a draft for such a paper, and that it had been forwarded to the DCI for a decision as to whether it should be published. Mr. Byers asked me to see that he and Dr. Teller received copies if the paper was released. He indicated that he thought an unclassified summary of the Soviet program would be a very useful document.

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5. In passing, Mr. Byers noted that the PFIAB had found the "A Team/B Team" exercise quite valuable. He expressed some concern, however, about the fact that Dr. Pipes wanted to have the "B Team" report on Soviet objectives widely disseminated. Mr. Byers indicated that he was preparing a letter to Dr. Pipes telling him that the report could not be made public.



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